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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7610

BILL NUMBER: HB 1699

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 10, 2005

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Child Abuse Reporting.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Avery

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: Pending

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows the state police to conduct a name based criminal history check of persons who reside or who are expected to reside in a location where a child will be placed by the division of family and children or a court if exigent circumstances prevent the state police from conducting a fingerprint based criminal history check. The bill requires the state police to verify the name based criminal history check through fingerprint identification, and permits a person who believes that the results of the name based criminal history check are incorrect to challenge the results by submitting the person's fingerprints. It removes a provision authorizing the division of family and children or a juvenile probation officer to directly conduct a criminal history check, requiring instead that the juvenile probation officer or division of family and children caseworker request that the state police conduct the criminal history check. It also specifies that the division of family and children, a county office of family and children, a local child protective service, a local child fatality review team, or the statewide child fatality review committee must disclose certain redacted records concerning the death of a child regardless of when the records were created. The bill provides that certain information concerning the parents or guardian of a deceased child is not required to be redacted. It requires a local child fatality review team and the statewide child fatality review committee to review records concerning a child whose death may have been the result of abuse or neglect. It also specifies that a child's death may have been the result of abuse or neglect if: (1) an investigation by the division of family and children makes this determination; or (2) charges filed by the prosecuting attorney would cause a reasonable person to believe that the child's death may have been the result of abuse or neglect.

Effective Date: July 1, 2005.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *As of the above date, the fiscal analysis of this bill has not been completed. Please contact the Office of Fiscal and Management Analysis for an update of this fiscal impact statement.*

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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